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WILL DEMAND INDEMNITY OF EIGHT HUNDRED MILLIONS

Peace Conditions Imposed by Japan so Severe that Russian Diplomats Were Staggered and, in Consequence, Peace Preliminaries Advance Slowly.

PRESIDENT NOT ASKED FOR AID

By Either Russia or Japan to Assist in Bringing War to an End.

RUSSIA WILL NOT GIVE UP TERRITORY OR AGREE TO PAY AN INDEMNITY TO SECURE PEACE. GOVERNMENT OF CZAR ANXIOUS FOR PEACE BUT PREPARING FOR WAR.

By Associated Press.
Paris, March 29.—Although official information is lacking, it is asserted in well informed quarters that Japan permitted Russia to learn that peace conditions would be severe and not responsive to recent sentimental appeals to Japan's magnanimity.
In particular it is said that the Japanese indemnity figure is eight hundred million dollars and that this stupendous sum proved so staggering to Russian diplomacy that it was refused. This is the cause why the peace preliminaries have advanced so slowly.

PRESIDENT NOT ASKED FOR GOOD OFFICES.

Washington, March 29.—Neither Russia nor Japan has asked President Roosevelt to assist them in ending the war. So far as the Washington government knows Czar Nicholas has not yet weakened in his announced decision to "Prosecute the war to the bitter end."

STEP IN DIRECTION OF PEACE HAS BEEN TAKEN.

St. Petersburg, March 29.—The Associated Press is in a position to announce that a step in the direction of peace has actually been taken. Russia has indirectly made known to Japan the negative conditions upon which may be concluded, namely, no cession of territory and no indemnity, leaving Japan to determine whether negotiations can be begun upon that basis. No reply from Japan has yet reached the Russian government.

WANTS PEACE, BUT IS PREPARING FOR WAR.

St. Petersburg, March 29.—Russia's attitude was described to-day by a prominent diplomat as follows:
"The government is now for peace, but continues to prepare for war."
The whole situation with reference to the prosecution of the war is being carefully considered from every point by a commission sitting under the presidency of Grand Duke Nicholas Nikolaievitch, inspector general of cavalry and consisting of Minister of War Sakhnoff, Vice Admiral Avellan, head of the Russian admiralty department, Minister of Finance Kokevoff, Minister of Railroads Hilbert, Foreign Minister Lamsdorff, General Grodekoff and Kamaroff and several others. Every phase of the situation, military, naval, financial, transportation, Siberian and diplomatic is being covered. The commission's report, which is expected to be completed in ten days will be prepared by Grand Duke Nicholas Nikolaievitch and Generals Grodekoff and Kamaroff for submission to the emperor.

To Elaborate Reforms.

St. Petersburg, March 29.—Emperor Nicholas has instructed Maximovitch, governor general of Warsaw, to elaborate the reforms necessary for the prosperity of Poland.
"A receipt to the governor general the emperor says:
"Since the radical revival of civil life in the Vistula territory during the past forty years a series of needs has developed upon which the government is now bestowing especial solicitude. Enemies of the existing order are seeking to provoke disturbances thus hindering the calm discussion of the reforms for which the country is ripe and at the same time some sections of the Polish population are putting forth exorbitant claims concerning limits in the employment of the state language to which there must remain assured throughout the empire the high importance due to it, but without any superfluous or unjust exclusion of local languages."
The emperor accordingly directs the governor general while lawfully and firmly suppressing artificially supported disturbances to "proceed to the elaboration of the reforms found to be necessary for the prosperity of the

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Secretary of Embassy at Paris a Historian



HENRY VIGNAUD.
Henry Vignaud, secretary of the United States Embassy at Paris, France, and who has made himself invaluable to American interests by long service at the capital of our sister republic, has turned historian and, as the result of exhaustive research, has produced a work on Christopher Columbus, which is attracting world-wide attention.

CORRESPONDENTS WANTED FROM U. S. BATTLESHIPS

THE JOURNAL WANTS A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE ON EACH SHIP IN THE PORT TO HELP SECURE COMPLETE DAILY REPORT OF NAVAL NEWS AND FLEET DOINGS.

The Journal is the paper which the officers and men of the fleet in Pensacola harbor are reading now. In fact The Journal's "battleship route" is delivered by special launch every morning and its readers on the ships are furnished with the paper simultaneously with its readers in the city.
The Journal is anxious to serve its battleship readers with the best of everything and it now wants to secure a regular correspondent on each ship who will furnish it daily with the news of the ship.
A correspondent must have a recommendation from an officer of the ship, so that The Journal may be sure that he is reliable. Stamps and stationery will be furnished.
What The Journal wants—is a daily report of the doings on the ship and everything of interest in connection with the fleet. The only way this can be had is by having a correspondent who is at all times on the spot and who will furnish the desired report.

Japanese Loan Promptly Taken in United States

By Associated Press.
London, March 29.—The Japanese loan was over-subscribed to-day fully ten times. When the books closed at 2:30 p. m. many applications had been received from Germany and continental Europe.

Liberally Subscribed.
New York, March 29.—The Japanese loan was liberally subscribed for to-day, a surprisingly large number of applications coming in by mail. Preference was given as far as possible, to small subscribers.

Standard Oil Company to Undergo Investigation

By Associated Press.
Kansas City, March 29.—The Journal to-day says:
The Standard Oil Company is to undergo a grand jury investigation by the federal government such as the beef trust is now burdened with in Chicago. The oil trust investigation is to take place in Topeka, according to a government official here, and is to begin in a couple of weeks.

Resignations of Panama Commissioners Requested

By Associated Press.
Washington, March 29.—By direction of President Roosevelt, Secretary Taft to-day sent a note to Admiral Walker, chairman of the Panama Canal Commission, requesting that all

members of the commission tender their resignations. The request was made in order that the president may have a free hand in re-organizing the commission. The resignations have been forwarded to the president.

GRAVE CRISIS THREATENS CHINA AT CLOSE OF WAR

High Officials Recognize Imperative Necessity of Making Every Preparation to Avert Anarchy and Chaos.

ORGANIZING AND ARMING FORCES

Thousands Have Been Supplied With Modern Arms Since 1902.

FACTORIES WORKING TO SUPPLY 30,000 MORE MAGAZINE RIFLES FOR FORCES AT PEKIN—HALF A MILLION MEN WILL BE READY BY JUNE.

By Associated Press.
Victoria, B. C., March 29.—Mail advices received from Peking by the Empress of Japan are to the effect that high officials of China recognize that China will have to pass through a grave crisis threatening the very foundation of her independence and integrity at the close of the war and that to avert anarchy and chaos the empire must be well armed and ready.
The Manchurian military and civil authorities are accordingly rearming the various banner organizations, Manchu, Mongol and Chinese. To the end of February, twenty-eight battalions over and above the 7,000 Manchus equipped with good arms in 1902, had been provided with either Mannlicher or Mauser magazine rifles.
Factories are working to provide 30,000 more for the Chinese forces at Peking. These forces will form the nucleus of a modern Chinese army to be organized without delay.
An army of half a million men is expected to be ready and well armed for the defense of Peking before June.

REMAINS OF MILDRED LEE

ESCORTED BY LARGE DELEGATION FROM CONFEDERATE ASSOCIATIONS—INTERMENT AT LEXINGTON, VA.

By Associated Press.
New Orleans, March 29.—Escorted by delegations from the various confederate associations and the ladies of the body of Miss Mildred C. Lee was taken from the residence of Mrs. William Preston Johnston to the Louisville and Nashville depot early to-day. There was a large gathering there of the old soldiers, of friends of Miss Lee and of citizens to pay their tributes of respect to the deceased. The car in which the body was carried was filled with fragrant flowers, many of them wrought into magnificent designs. An escort of veterans accompanied the body, which will be met at Atlanta by Colonel Robert Lee, brother of Miss Lee. The interment is expected to be at Lexington, Va.

MISSOURI AFTER STANDARD OIL CO.

By Associated Press.
Jefferson City, March 29.—The attorney general to-day filed in the supreme court an application for a writ to oust the Standard Oil Company and the Walters Oil Company from their franchises for doing business in Missouri. The writ was issued returnable to the court on banc on April 14th. The application charges the companies with being in combination to control the prices and supply of oil in the state.

INDICTED FOR EMBEZZLEMENT

By Associated Press.
Jacksonville, Fla., March 29.—William D. Ball, former postmaster at Orange Park, was to-day indicted by the federal grand jury for embezzlement of government funds. It is reported that Ball is also short in his accounts as treasurer of Orange Park.

By Associated Press.
Havana, March 29.—President Palma to-day received the congressmen and members of their party who arrived on the United States transport Sumner. Later the Sumner sailed for New Orleans.

AMERICAN MAN-O'-WAR TO BE SENT TO PORT AU PRINCE

SERIOUS TROUBLE IMPENDING IN HAYTI AND VESSEL IS NECESSARY TO PROTECT INTERESTS OF UNITED STATES—CRUISER NEWARK WILL PROBABLY BE DISPATCHED.

By Associated Press.
Washington, March 29.—An American man-of-war will be sent to Port Au Prince to protect American interests. This determination was reached to-day when the state department received a cablegram from Minister Powell, saying that serious trouble was impending in Hayti and that it was doubtful whether the authorities could maintain order on next Friday and Saturday.
The state department immediately requested the navy department to dispatch a war vessel to Hayti, and the navy, it is reported, will probably send the cruiser Newark, Admiral Sigsbee's flagship, now at Guantanamo, to Port Au Prince. The distance is but one hundred and eighty miles and the latter port could be quickly reached.
State department officials are unable to explain the significance of the dates, Friday and Saturday, mentioned in the cablegram from Minister Powell as days on which trouble might be expected in Hayti.

Gift of Rockefeller is Still Bone of Contention

By Associated Press.
Boston, March 29.—Dr. Jas. L. Barton, secretary of the American board of commissioners for foreign missions, upon arriving at the board rooms to-day said the promised statement with reference to the action of the prudential committee of the board upon the J. D. Rockefeller gift at yesterday's meeting could not be given out yet. He could not indicate, he said, when it would be ready. It is understood that the officials wish to allow sufficient time for a copy of the statement to reach all members of the committee who protested against the acceptance of the gift, by mail, before making it public.

Rear Admiral Higginson Departed for Pensacola

By Associated Press.
Tampa, Fla., March 29.—Rear Admiral Francis F. Higginson, who has been here for several days, left to-night for Pensacola on duty connected with the fleet now assembled.

Lynching Probable if Negro Brute is Caught

By Associated Press.
Johnstown, Pa., March 29.—While alone in her home near Elton, in this county, except for the presence of a little girl, Mrs. Frank Rose, aged 62, was assaulted by a negro who tore her clothing from her body and left her unconscious on the floor.

No One Responsible for Disaster at Brockton

By Associated Press.
Brockton, Mass., March 29.—The statement that no evidence has been adduced to show that any person was criminally liable for the explosion in Grover Shoe Factory last week, which caused the death of fifty-eight employees, was made by District Attorney French this afternoon at the conclusion of the inquest on the disaster. District Attorney French said, after hearing all possible evidence, that he believed the explosion was due to a defect in the boiler. Judge Bixby said he would review the evidence and give his decision later.

New York Has Epidemic of Cerebro Spinal Meningitis

By Associated Press.
New York, March 29.—Records in the epidemic of cerebro spinal meningitis have been broken, thirty-two new cases during one day in the boroughs of Greater New York having been reported. Several cases are also reported in Passaic, N. J., where one of the public schools will be closed two deaths having already occurred among the pupils.

JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION

PROCLAMATION ISSUED TO NATIONS OF THE EARTH BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

By Associated Press.
Washington, March 29.—President Roosevelt to-day issued a proclamation to the nations of the earth inviting them to be represented by military organizations and naval vessels at the celebration to be held in the vicinity of Jamestown, Va., from May 13 to November 1, 1907.

ACTION OF UNITED STATES PLEASES SANTO DOMINGO

News that this Country Would Assume Control of Republic's Finances is Had Most Favorable Effect.

DISPUTE WITH ITALY SERIOUS

Italian Cruiser Now at San Domingo to Protect Italian Interests.

ORDERED TO REMAIN AT SAN DOMINGO UNTIL RELIEVED—AMERICAN MINISTER AND CAPTAIN OF CASTINE HAVE CABLED FOR INSTRUCTIONS.

By Associated Press.
San Domingo, Republic of Santo Domingo, March 29.—The news of the acceptance by the government at Washington of the proposition of the Dominican government that the government of the United States assume control of the finances of this republic with the view of setting aside a portion of the revenues for the payment of its debts pending definite action on the part of the American senate has had a most favorable effect here. The opinion is expressed that the action taken by the authorities at Washington will change the situation completely.

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New York, March 29.—In connection with the return of the Italian cruiser Calabria from Kingston, Jamaica, the Herald's correspondent at San Domingo says:

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Bancalari said he was willing to wait with the others, but would not tolerate discrimination. His claim is secured by a lien of 8 per cent. on all the revenues of the ports of Samana and Sanchez.

Several hot interviews passed, the Italian threatening to call on the Calabria to return from Jamaica. The cruiser arrived at 6 o'clock Tuesday, Lieutenant Logan of the Castine, has boarded the Calabria whose commander says his orders are to remain here until relieved by the Dogail, now at Trinidad.

Mr. Dawson, the American minister, and Captain Dorn have both cabled the authorities at Washington for instructions.

THE ALABAMA PEONAGE CASE

COURT OF APPEALS AFFIRMS SENTENCE OF LOWER COURT AND PACE MUST SERVE FIVE YEARS.

By Associated Press.
Montgomery, March 29.—News was received here to-day from New Orleans that the United States Circuit Court of appeals has affirmed the case of John Pace, a prominent planter of Tallapoosa county, who was convicted on the charge of peonage. Pace was sentenced to five years' imprisonment. This is a test case and ten more will be called by reason of the decision on appeal.

TOOK MONEY FROM REGISTERED MAIL

A JACKSONVILLE POSTOFFICE CLERK PLEADED GUILTY AND WAS GIVEN SENTENCE OF ONE YEAR.

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